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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 148
By Stanley

A RESOLUTION To honor and commend Caitlin Steiger for receiving the Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

WHEREAS, It is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those young citizens who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin Steiger, an esteemed resident of Memphis and a Junior at White Station High School, has been named Tennessee's top high school student volunteer in the Sixth Annual Prudential Spirit of Community Award's nationwide program recognizing young people for outstanding community services; and

WHEREAS, For her exemplary volunteer service, Caitlin received the 2001 Prudential Spirit of Community Award presented by The Prudential Insurance Company of America in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honoring young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities; and

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WHEREAS, Ms. Steiger earned this award by giving generously of her time and energy to the annual Help for Hope House 5K; she has been instrumental in the tremendous success of the race, having developed the fundraiser concept under the guidance of the local racing community, acquired corporate sponsorships from Federal Express, Coca-Cola, and the Kroger Company, among others, aggressively promoted the race and organized a staff of volunteers to handle the logistics of the race; and

WHEREAS, Due in large part to Ms. Steiger's remarkable efforts, the event has brought in an astounding \$42,000 to benefit Hope House, a center for children with HIV/AIDS; and

WHEREAS, Caitlin Steiger epitomizes the spirit and commitment that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; she takes her place among the many noble citizens who have earned this State the nickname of "The Volunteer State"; and

WHEREAS, The success of the State of Tennessee, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of our society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Ms. Steiger who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and commend Caitlin Steiger as a recipient of a Prudential Spirit of Community award, recognize her outstanding record of volunteerism, leadership and community spirit, and extend to her our best wishes for every continued success and much happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.